

Functions of all officers, agencies, and employees of Department of Agriculture transferred, with certain exceptions, to Secretary of Agriculture by 1953 Reorg. Plan No. 2, §1, eff. June 4, 1953, 18 F.R. 3219, 67 Stat. 633, set out as a note under section 2201 of this title.

War Food Administration terminated by Ex. Ord. No. 9577, and all functions transferred to Secretary of Agriculture, who established Production and Marketing Administration, under authority of said Ex. Ord. No. 9577, to administer functions of many of marketing and production agencies, including those functions of former War Food Administration.

§ 2253. Adjustment by Secretary of titles to lands acquired by Government and subject to his control

If the Secretary of Agriculture shall find after the acquisition by the United States of any land or interest therein which is subject to his administration, custody, or control, other than land acquired by exchange of public domain land or resources, that the title thereto is legally insufficient for the purposes for which such land or interest was acquired and no consideration therefor has been paid by the United States, or that title or color of title to such land or interest was acquired through mistake, misunderstanding, error, or inadvertence, he is authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of and in the name of the United States to the person from whom the title was acquired or to the person whom he finds entitled thereto a quitclaim deed to such land or interest: *Provided, however*, That if the person to whom such deed is made is the same person from whom the United States acquired title, or his successor in interest, any consideration given by the United States for such land or interest shall be restored or, in lieu thereof, the value equivalent of such consideration as determined by the Secretary of Agriculture shall be paid to the United States; and any consideration or value equivalent so restored or paid shall, so far as is practicable, be restored to the jurisdiction, or deposited to the credit, of the department, agency, appropriation, or fund from which the consideration was transferred or paid at the time of the acquisition of title by the United States.

(July 8, 1943, ch. 197, 57 Stat. 388; Mar. 3, 1952, ch. 72, 66 Stat. 11; Pub. L. 87-869, §2, Oct. 23, 1962, 76 Stat. 1157.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 567 of Title 5 prior to the general revision and enactment of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, by Pub. L. 89-554, §1, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 378.

AMENDMENTS

1962—Pub. L. 87-869 struck out “within twenty years” after “shall find”.

1952—Act Mar. 3, 1952, increased period of limitation during which Secretary may adjust land titles from ten to twenty years.

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

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§ 2254. Operation, maintenance and purchase of aircraft by Agricultural Research Service; construction and repair of buildings

Appropriations for the Agricultural Research Service shall be available for the operation and maintenance of aircraft and the purchase of not to exceed one for replacement only and pursuant to section 2250 of this title for the construction, alteration, and repair of buildings and improvements.

(Pub. L. 110-161, div. A, title I, Dec. 26, 2007, 121 Stat. 1849.)

CODIFICATION

Section is from the appropriation act cited as the credit to this section.

Section was formerly classified to section 568a of Title 5 prior to the general revision and enactment of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, by Pub. L. 89-554, §1, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 378.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to those in this section were contained in the following prior appropriation acts:

- Pub. L. 109-97, title I, Nov. 10, 2005, 119 Stat. 2124.
- Pub. L. 108-447, div. A, title I, Dec. 8, 2004, 118 Stat. 2815.
- Pub. L. 108-199, div. A, title I, Jan. 23, 2004, 118 Stat. 8.
- Pub. L. 108-7, div. A, title I, Feb. 20, 2003, 117 Stat. 16.
- Pub. L. 107-76, title I, Nov. 28, 2001, 115 Stat. 708.
- Pub. L. 106-387, §1(a) [title I], Oct. 28, 2000, 114 Stat. 1549, 1549A-5.
- Pub. L. 106-78, title I, Oct. 22, 1999, 113 Stat. 1139.
- Pub. L. 105-277, div. A, §101(a) [title I], Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681, 2681-4.
- Pub. L. 105-86, title I, Nov. 18, 1997, 111 Stat. 2083.
- Pub. L. 104-180, title I, Aug. 6, 1996, 110 Stat. 1573.
- Pub. L. 104-37, title I, Oct. 21, 1995, 109 Stat. 303.
- Pub. L. 103-330, title I, Sept. 30, 1994, 108 Stat. 2439.
- Pub. L. 103-111, title I, Oct. 21, 1993, 107 Stat. 1050.
- Pub. L. 102-341, title I, Aug. 14, 1992, 106 Stat. 877.
- Pub. L. 102-142, title I, Oct. 28, 1991, 105 Stat. 882.
- Pub. L. 101-506, title I, Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1319.
- Pub. L. 101-161, title I, Nov. 21, 1989, 103 Stat. 955, 956.
- Pub. L. 100-460, title I, Oct. 1, 1988, 102 Stat. 2233.
- Pub. L. 100-202, §101(k) [title I], Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1329-322, 1329-327.
- Pub. L. 99-500, §101(a) [title I], Oct. 18, 1986, 100 Stat. 1783, 1783-4, and Pub. L. 99-591, §101(a) [title I], Oct. 30, 1986, 100 Stat. 3341, 3341-4.
- Pub. L. 99-190, §101(a) [H.R. 3037, title I], Dec. 19, 1985, 99 Stat. 1185; Pub. L. 100-202, §106, Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1329-433.
- Pub. L. 97-370, title I, Dec. 18, 1982, 96 Stat. 1789.
- Pub. L. 97-103, title I, Dec. 23, 1981, 95 Stat. 1469.
- Pub. L. 96-528, title I, Dec. 15, 1980, 94 Stat. 3097.
- Pub. L. 96-108, title I, Nov. 9, 1979, 93 Stat. 822.
- Pub. L. 95-448, title I, Oct. 11, 1978, 92 Stat. 1074.
- Pub. L. 95-97, title I, Aug. 12, 1977, 91 Stat. 811, 812.
- Pub. L. 94-351, title I, July 12, 1976, 90 Stat. 852.
- Pub. L. 94-122, title I, Oct. 21, 1975, 89 Stat. 642, 643.
- Pub. L. 93-563, title I, Dec. 31, 1974, 88 Stat. 1823.
- Pub. L. 93-135, title I, Oct. 24, 1973, 87 Stat. 470.
- Pub. L. 92-399, title I, Aug. 22, 1972, 86 Stat. 593.
- Pub. L. 92-73, title I, Aug. 10, 1971, 85 Stat. 184.
- Pub. L. 91-566, title I, Dec. 22, 1970, 84 Stat. 1480.
- Pub. L. 91-127, title I, Nov. 26, 1969, 83 Stat. 245.
- Pub. L. 90-463, title I, Aug. 8, 1968, 82 Stat. 639.
- Pub. L. 90-113, title I, Oct. 24, 1967, 81 Stat. 320.
- Pub. L. 89-556, title I, Sept. 7, 1966, 80 Stat. 689.
- Pub. L. 89-316, title I, Nov. 2, 1965, 79 Stat. 1165.
- Pub. L. 88-573, title I, Sept. 2, 1964, 78 Stat. 862.
- Pub. L. 88-250, title I, Dec. 30, 1963, 77 Stat. 820.
- Pub. L. 87-879, title I, Oct. 24, 1962, 76 Stat. 1203.
- Pub. L. 87-112, title I, July 26, 1961, 75 Stat. 226.
- Pub. L. 86-532, title I, June 29, 1960, 74 Stat. 232.

Pub. L. 86-80, title I, July 8, 1959, 73 Stat. 167.
 Pub. L. 85-459, title I, June 13, 1958, 72 Stat. 188.
 Pub. L. 85-118, title I, Aug. 2, 1957, 71 Stat. 329.
 June 4, 1956, ch. 355, title I, 70 Stat. 229.
 May 23, 1955, ch. 43, title I, 69 Stat. 51.
 June 29, 1954, ch. 409, title I, 68 Stat. 304.
 July 28, 1953, ch. 251, title I, 67 Stat. 206.
 July 5, 1952, ch. 574, title I, 66 Stat. 336.
 Aug. 31, 1951, ch. 374, title I, 65 Stat. 226.
 Sept. 6, 1950, ch. 896, Ch. VI, title I, 64 Stat. 658.
 June 29, 1949, ch. 280, title I, 63 Stat. 329.
 June 19, 1948, ch. 543, 62 Stat. 513.
 July 30, 1947, ch. 356, title I, 61 Stat. 528.
 June 22, 1946, ch. 445, 60 Stat. 276.
 May 5, 1945, ch. 109, 59 Stat. 142.

§ 2254a. Availability of funds appropriated for Agricultural Research Service for research related to tobacco or tobacco products

On and after December 26, 2007, none of the funds appropriated under this heading shall be available to carry out research related to the production, processing, or marketing of tobacco or tobacco products.

(Pub. L. 110-161, div. A, title I, Dec. 26, 2007, 121 Stat. 1850.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

This heading, referred to in text, refers to the headings “AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE” and “SALARIES AND EXPENSES” of title I of div. A of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2008, Pub. L. 110-161.

§ 2254b. Availability of funds appropriated for Agricultural Research Service for research related to tobacco or tobacco products; exception

On and after December 26, 2007, none of the funds appropriated under this heading shall be available to carry out research related to the production, processing, or marketing of tobacco or tobacco products: *Provided further*, That on and after December 26, 2007, this paragraph shall not apply to research on the medical, biotechnological, food, and industrial uses of tobacco.

(Pub. L. 110-161, div. A, title I, Dec. 26, 2007, 121 Stat. 1851.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

This heading, referred to in text, refers to the headings “COOPERATIVE STATE RESEARCH, EDUCATION, AND EXTENSION SERVICE” and “RESEARCH AND EDUCATION ACTIVITIES” of title I of div. A of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2008, Pub. L. 110-161.

§ 2255. Membership in International Wheat Advisory Committee, International Sugar Council, etc.

The Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to expend funds, available for agricultural conservation, adjustment, and land use programs, for the share of the United States as a member of the International Wheat Advisory Committee, the International Sugar Council, or like events or bodies concerned with the objectives of said program, together with traveling and other necessary expenses relating thereto: *Provided*, That expenditures under this authority shall not be made unless provision is made therefor in the applicable appropriation and the cost thereof is not in excess of limitations prescribed therein.

(Sept. 21, 1944, ch. 412, title VII, § 701(a), 58 Stat. 741.)

CODIFICATION

This section was enacted as part of the Department of Agriculture Organic Act of 1944.

Section was formerly classified to sections 570 and 574 of Title 5 prior to the general revision and enactment of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, by Pub. L. 89-554, § 1, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 378.

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

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§ 2255a. Financial assistance to national and international conferences

On and after October 21, 1993, appropriations available to the Department of Agriculture can be used to provide financial assistance to the organizers of national and international conferences, if such conferences are in support of agency programs.

(Pub. L. 103-111, title I, Oct. 21, 1993, 107 Stat. 1050.)

§ 2255b. Department of Agriculture conference transparency

(a) Report

(1) Requirement

Not later than September 30 of each year, the Secretary of Agriculture shall submit to the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate, a report on conferences sponsored or held by the Department of Agriculture or attended by employees of the Department of Agriculture.

(2) Contents

Each report under paragraph (1) shall contain—

(A) for each conference sponsored or held by the Department or attended by employees of the Department—

- (i) the name of the conference;
- (ii) the location of the conference;
- (iii) the number of Department of Agriculture employees attending the conference; and
- (iv) the costs (including travel expenses) relating to such conference; and

(B) for each conference sponsored or held by the Department of Agriculture for which the Department awarded a procurement contract, a description of the contracting procedures related to such conference.

(3) Exclusions

The requirement in paragraph (1) shall not apply to any conference—

- (A) for which the cost to the Federal Government was less than \$10,000; or
- (B) outside of the United States that is attended by the Secretary or the Secretary's designee as an official representative of the United States government.

(b) Availability of report

Each report submitted in accordance with subsection (a) shall be posted in a searchable for-